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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/827,253

Applicants: Yasuo SUZUKI, et al.

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For: COATING LIQUID FOR AN INTERMEDIATE  
LAYER OF ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHIC  
PHOTOCONDUCTOR, MANUFACTURING  
METHOD THEREOF, ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHIC  
PHOTOCONDUCTOR, ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHIC  
APPARATUS, AND ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHIC  
PHOTOCONDUCTOR PROCESS CARTRIDGE  
USING SAME

Group Art Unit: 1756

Examiner: M.A. CHAPMAN

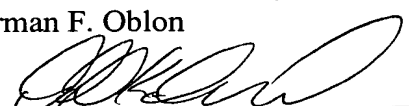
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**Response to Restriction Requirement**

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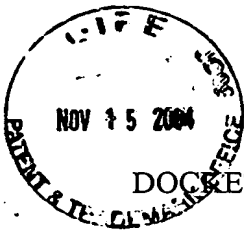
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 28, 2004, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I: Claims 1-8, drawn to a coating material and of making the same coating material for examination.

REMARKS

The Examiner is requiring restriction of the above-identified application as follows:

Group I: Claims 1-8, drawn to a coating material and of making the same  
coating material; and